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The Honorable Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Surface Transportation Board
395 E. Street, S.W., Room #100
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RE: Decision and Notice of Interim Trail Use or Abandonment Union Pacific Railroad Company – Abandonment Exemption – In Freeborn County, Minnesota Docket No. AB 33 (Sub-No. 298X) Service Date – July 21, 2011.

Dear Ms. Brown:

Under the above described Decision and Notice, Interim Trail Use/Rail Banking for purposes of negotiation were granted until January 17, 2012 and the permit for public use negotiations was granted until January 18, 2012.

At this time, Freeborn County is formally requesting extension of both the Interim Trail Use/Rail Banking for purposes of negotiation and permit for public use negotiations for an additional 180 days from January 17, 2012 and January 18, 2012 respectively. This additional time is being requested in anticipation of fully completing this negotiation process during this period.

On behalf of the Freeborn County Board of Commissioner I appreciate your consideration of this request. Please contact me at your earliest convenience if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,

John W. Kluever
County Administrator

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cc: Mack H. Shumate, Jr. – Union Pacific Senior General Attorney
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